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LAWRENCE FINDS ODD G. O. P. PLOT

Try to Oust Repubs in Office by Calling Them Democrats.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.

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Washington, D. C., June 16.—Mark Hanna and Boies Penrose would turn over in their graves if they knew what was happening in Washington today. Loyal Republicans, faithful in the party service, are being described as "Democrats" in a circular and petition signed by scores of Republican members of congress who want President Harding to uphold Assistant Secretary Elmer Dover of the treasury department in his efforts to make places for political followers who have gone unwelcome.

The document, which has been sent to every Republican member of congress by the group which is interested in forcing an upheaval in the government departments, contains so many inaccuracies that it will probably prove a boomerang to its sponsors. There always has been a large number of Republican employees without political affiliation who won their positions on merit either under past Republican and Democratic administrations and who have always been looked upon as a non-partisan body of employees rendering faithful service to whatever party is in power.

How They Do It.

But the published list is not merely confined to these. It lists as Democrats men who have recently been put in office as Republicans and it also embraces men who are no longer in the government service. Here are a few typical examples:

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NET IS WOVEN ABOUT SLAYERS OF CIRCUS MAN

Lion Tamer Admits Firing Shot That Killed Brunen.

BY JANE COMPTON.

Consolidated Press Correspondent.

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Mount Holly, N. J., June 16.—

The tawdry tinsel of the circus, the glamor of life under the "big top" and the fatuousness which sometimes follows the "show business" are all entwined in the search to solve the sordid murder of "Honest John" Brunen, circus owner who was slain at his home in Riverside

a wintry night in March last. Brunen was shot as he sat by a window reading the details of the murder of his old friend, William Desmond Taylor at Hollywood.

Slowly but surely the light is breaking in upon what promised at first to be one of the most baffling murder mysteries of a decade. Thus far there is a missing link in the chain of direct and circumstantial evidence which the authorities are building up. The link is a circus girl, "the girl with the auburn hair" she was known to the circus employees and few knew aught else of her.

Three in Jail.

Already there are three persons in the Mount Holly jail charged with the murder. One is a lion tamer, Charles Powell, who has confessed that he fired the shotgun which killed "Honest John." Powell has been on the verge of a complete nervous and physical breakdown and it has required delicate handling on the part of Ellis Parker, Burlington county detective, to keep the man from committing suicide.

It is small wonder that Powell does not collapse. On the walls of the cell which he occupies in "murderers' row" are scribbled many farewell messages from his friends, and even the iron nerves of a lion tamer, it is seen, can break under such a strain.

Wife Is Calm.

Upon the confession of Powell, the police arrested Mrs. Doris Brunen, wife of "Honest John" and after whom he named the "Mighty Doris-Colonel Ferrari Circus" which traveled the smaller cities and made a comfortable fortune for the owner. It is claimed that the murder was committed by Mrs. Brunen, who would have gained possession of the show.

Mrs. Brunen has taken her arrest and incarceration calmly. She says she expected something of the sort minutes after the murder was committed by Mrs. Brunen, who would have gained possession of the show.

Furthermore, when Brunen was about to be buried the widow threw herself prostrate upon the coffin.

The prosecutor says that a short time before the murder in which shots were exchanged on both sides. They further say that "Honest John" had forgiven his wife several marital indiscretions, but his life was far from a happy one. Some of them that a daughter due to the fact that a daughter

was permitted to marry another lion tamer in the show.

Seek Mystery Girl.

The third prisoner is Harry C. Mohr. Powell in his confession says he was hired by Mohr to shoot Brunen and was taken from Camden to the Brunen home in Mohr's automobile. The "girl with the auburn hair" is sought.

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ELECTROCUTE 3 IN S. CAROLINA

Trio Convicted of Murdering Taxi Driver Last August Go to Deaths in Chair.

Columbia, S. C., June 16.—S. J. Kerby, J. C. Gappins and C. O. Fox were electrocuted at the penitentiary this morning for the murder of William Brazell, Columbia taxi driver, near Leesville, on the night of Aug. 7, last.

The document lists Chester A. Bennett and Charles A. Bernard as Democrats. The former is a son of a Republican, and the latter is the

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HOLLAND HEADS AD CLUBS.

Milwaukee, Wis., June 16.—Louis Holland of Kansas City, was elected president of the Associated Advertising club of the world.

MARCONI SAYS WIRELESS CAN CIRCLE GLOBE

New York, June 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Senator Guglielmo Marconi of Italy, performer of wireless, announced today on arrival of his yacht Elettra, that experiments which he had conducted on the Atlantic had shown that it was possible to send radio messages around the world. Previously, he said, the maximum sending distance had been established was 12,200 miles.

THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Saturday. Somewhat cooler Saturday morning.

Highest temperature yesterday, 91; lowest last night, 78.

Wind velocity at 7 a. m., 10 miles per hour.

Precipitation in last 24 hours, none.

12 m. 7 p.m. 7 a.m. yesterday, yesterday, today.

Dry bulb temp., 85 85 80

Wet bulb temp., 75 78 72

Rel. humidity, 63 66 67

River stage at 7 a. m., 4.3; a rise of 1.1 in last 24 hours.

Sunset today, 7:40; sunrise tomorrow, 4:27.

River Forecast.

The Mississippi river from below Dubuque to Muscatine will change but little during the next few days.

ANDREW HAMRICK, Meteorologist.

REPUBS ARE OPPOSED TO 'DRY' SHIPS

Will Fight Against Stopping Liquor Sale on U. S. Boats.

Washington, June 16.—Without a record vote the house merchant marine committee today rejected the Bankhead amendment to the ship subsidy bill providing that no government aid should be allowed ships on which liquor was sold.

The Edmonds proposal which would extend the Volstead law to the sea by fining all ships of any registry touching American ports on which liquor selling was permitted, was not acted on, and the committee ordered the bill reported by a straight party vote.

Washington, June 16.—With Republican members of the house merchant marine committee understood virtually to have agreed to oppose the proposal to stop the sale of liquor on American ships by denying the federal aid provided in the subsidy bill to ships on which such sale is made, another amendment to the bill, proposing a fine for the sale of liquor on any ship during a voyage starting or ending at an American port, was before the committee today for consideration.

The latter proposal, offered by Representative Edmonds, Republican of Pennsylvania, as a substitute for the first amendment presented by Representative Bankhead, Democrat, of Alabama, and discussed informally by the committee yesterday, would have the effect of putting American ships on a parity with those of other nations which do not have prohibition. In addition to providing a fine of \$10,000 for the first and second offense, the final penalty would be to prohibit the entrance of a ship to American ports.

Conflicts With Treaties.

After the proposal was discussed by majority committee members yesterday, the view was expressed in some quarters that it conflicted with many of the nation's commercial treaties.

Meanwhile, in the executive branch, although officials were understood still to be discussing the question today, there had been no developments beyond the indication at the treasury department that Attorney-General Daugherty might be asked soon for a ruling on the legality of liquor selling on American ships.

Daugherty said that if such a request was made, it would be acted on as speedily as possible.

CHANG IS GIVEN GREATER POWER

Manchurian Province Proclaim New Government; Name Him Commander of All Troops.

Mukden, Manchuria, June 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Proclamation of a new form of government throughout Manchuria, published today by assemblies representing the provinces, provides that each province shall govern itself, while recognizing Manchuria as still a part of China, and name Chang Tso-lin commander-in-chief of all troops.

General Chang, whose army has been hard pressed since its recent defeat by the troops of Wu Pei-fu, before Peking, assumed office as generalissimo of Manchuria on June 4. The official announcement says the proclamation was drawn by an inter-provincial chamber of commerce, educational departments and artisans unions.

The assembly, claiming to act on behalf of all the people of Manchuria, named Chang commander "for the maintenance of peace and order in connection with a new plan for self-government."

He accordingly accepted a seal of office and ordered flags displayed in honor of the event.

It is understood that the intention is to make Manchuria virtually independent, but to continue to call it a part of China.

The Manchurian provinces are Holungkiang, Kiran and Shengking.

ST. JOSEPH HAS \$400,000 FIRE

Grain Belt Mills Are Wrecked by Blaze; Nearly All Machinery Is Destroyed.

St. Joseph, Mo., June 16.—Fire wrecked the grain belt mills here last night, causing a loss estimated between \$350,000 and \$400,000. The machinery with the exception of the oat machinery was destroyed, together with the hay storehouse and the hay grinding house.

London, June 16.—The new Irish constitution was made public.

Noah's Ark Wasn't Ship; It Was Great Cheops Pyramid, Noted Egyptologist Says

Los Angeles, Cal., June 16.—Noah's Ark, built to save human and animal life from the flood of ancient biblical times, is still extant for all to see, 30,000 years after its construction. This is the belief of Dr. E. C. Getzinger, Egyptologist, now visiting here. His conclusion is based, he declares, on recent discoveries, following 35 years of research work, some of the results of which he described in an address before the Friday Morning club.

Dr. Getzinger is convinced that the ark of Noah was not a ship; that it was the great pyramid of Cheops in Egypt. Near the top of each of the pyramids, at the same level, is a high water line where a deep niche has been cut into the rock by the lashing of a long-forgotten surf—the surf of the flood which inundated the ancient biblical world, he declared.

Pharaohs Not Builders.

Dr. Getzinger is convinced the pyramids were built thousands of years before the reign of the Pharaohs. The latter, to whom they have been accredited, merely repaired them and caused a casing of stones to be built over them, he said.

He is also convinced that the pyramids stand today a living monument to an old and noble philosophy, a civilization greater than any human race has since attained. His explanation of the feat performed by these ancient engineers is that they were of a race infinitely more spiritual than modern man; that their power lay in greater understanding of the universe and its laws. For instance, he said, his researches indicate that those ancient, prior to 30,000 years ago, had no language, needed no language. They had the gift of transference of thought, a "higher, finer comprehension of what we call telepathy, and as language was born into the world for the use of human beings, this spirituality was gradually lost to us."

New "Power of Light."

"In like manner," Dr. Getzinger continued, "they understood the power of light to lessen the weight of mass objects, a fact which modern experiments are even now making evident."

Some knowledge of this kind, Dr. Getzinger thinks, made possible the handling of those "huge blocks of limestone and granite of which the pyramids are constructed."

POTZ IS SAVED FROM GALLOWS BY GOVERNOR

Small Grants Condemned Man 60-Day Reprieve.

Waukegan, Ill., June 16.—Ignatz Potz, condemned slayer, who was saved from the gallows in a midnight reprieve by Governor Small last night, renewed his fight for life today.

Potz was under sentence to hang this morning for the murder of William Peterson, a motorcycle policeman.

Lester Williams, the young lawyer, whose plea Governor Small answered with a sixty-days' stay of execution, prepared to take the case again to the supreme court which yesterday denied a writ of superseas.

Witness Was Perjured.

Williams began his fight armed with an affidavit by a Kenosha (Wis.) saloonkeeper, who admitted perjury in Potz' trial. The saloonkeeper testified that Potz and his companions were sober when they left the Kenosha saloon on the night Peterson was shot, but said in his affidavit that he gave the testimony through fear of prosecution for selling liquor to Potz and his friends.

Last night's hearing was held in the court room where Governor Small is on trial on charges of conspiracy to defraud the state. Williams in his plea, said Potz had been pushed through a speedy trial and "railroaded" to the gallows so Judge Claire C. Edwards could hear the governor's own trial.

WEEKS' SPEECH ROUSES DEBATE IN BOTH HOUSES

Senator Norris Answers Attack on Direct Primary.

Washington, June 16.—Debate raged at both ends of the capitol today over the address made yesterday in Cleveland by Secretary Weeks on some of the dominant tendencies in American government.

Senator Norris, Republican, Nebraska, speaking in the senate, took exception to the statement of Mr. Weeks that the direct primary had lessened the quality of men willing to serve in public affairs.

Declaring that the secretary had made a specific attack against the primary, the Nebraska senator called attention to the last Republican and Democratic national conventions, which he said, had been controlled by "a sick man in Philadelphia, and a sick man in the White House."

Agrees on One Point.

Senator Norris said he was inclined to agree with the war secretary that the legislative branch of the government "was at its lowest ebb."

He recalled that he and other Republican senators had assailed the Democratic majority during the Wilson administration calling them, he said, "plain rubber stamp senators."

"Now it seems that the rubber stamps are on this (Republican) side," he added, "for we are told now that we must pass the ship subsidy bill."

Representative Garner, during the house debate, declared that as matters stood, congress is trying to get rid of Secretary Mellon and Secretary Weeks is trying to get rid of congress.

Predicts Mellon Downfall.

"The question now is who will go first, and I'll put my money on Mellon," he added.

Representative Tincher, Republican, Kansas, also took exception to portions of Mr. Weeks' address. "Secretary Weeks ought to know about congress for he served in both branches," he said.

"After failing to get the Republican presidential nomination in 1916, he was renominated for the senate in Massachusetts, and although it was a Republican year, he was about the only Republican defeated. Then President Harding tried to make a man out of the senator by putting him in the cabinet, thus giving him an opportunity to come back."

'Y' MAN KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Hero of World War Dies When Bolt Strikes Raft at Minnesota Summer Camp.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 16.—Raymond F. Thomas, third swimming instructor at the Y. M. C. A. here, was killed last night when lightning struck a raft on which he was standing at the Y summer camp at Chicago City, Minn. Two other men standing on the raft were unharmed.

Thomas, a student at the University of Minnesota Medical College, was a member of the army medical corps during the World war and claimed to be one of the first American soldiers to reach German soil. The American and French governments cited him for bravery.

TO PREVENT COAL BOOST.

Washington, June 16.—Agreement on a plan to prevent advances in bituminous coal prices was announced by Secretary Hoover.

TRACE LOAN BY STATE IN SMALL CASE

Currier Reads Ponderous Tabulation to Trial Jury.

Waukegan, Ill., June 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Tracing the travels of the \$27,948,500 loaned by the state treasury to the Grant Park bank, Donald Currier, accountant for the prosecution in the trial of Governor Len Small, today continued his recital of the summary of the state's evidence. The jurors, furnished with copies of Mr. Currier's tabulation, which fills seven typewritten sheets three feet wide and two feet deep, followed the reading closely.

Line by line the witness followed the draft on the treasury through the Fort Dearborn and Livestock Exchange banks of Chicago, where other notes of the Chicago packers were purchased, and then traced the interest discount on the notes and the eventual return of the principal to the state.

Delay Is Avoided.

An anticipated delay this morning, due to a hanging scheduled to take place in the courthouse was removed last night when Governor Small granted the condemned man a sixty days' reprieve.

By a decision of Judge Claire C. Edwards last night, following a movement over defense objection to Mr. Currier's testimony, the prosecution's accountant will be permitted today to testify not only to figures taken from his summary of the state's evidence, but also to his deductions necessary to complete certain transactions. His conclusions, when not based on mathematical deductions and all statements smacking of argument, will be barred, however.

Governor's Birthday.

Today is the governor's sixtieth birthday. He spent the day as usual in court, accompanied by his daughter and son-in-law, Captain and Mrs. Jack English. The governor will leave this afternoon for his home in Kankakee, to spend the week-end with Mrs. Small, and work on plans for the Kankakee fair, of which he is head.

110 ALIENS GET CITIZEN EXAMS

La Salle County Foreigners Seek Final Papers; 13 Sisters of Charity Included.

Ottawa, Ill., June 16.—One hundred and ten aliens of La Salle county, including 13 Sisters of Charity from the La Salle hospital, were examined today for final citizenship papers. Only eight applicants reside in Ottawa, the others living in La Salle, Peru and Oglesby.

Fire Destroys 400 Buildings, Makes 20,000 Homeless at Avenue, Long Island.

New York, June 16.—Firemen today were still playing water upon the smoldering ruins that yesterday had been a half square mile of summer dwellings at Avenue, L. I. More than 400 buildings, from summer homes costing \$25,000 and little bungalows, worth \$2,000 and hotels were destroyed. Rendering 20,000 persons temporarily homeless. The property damage is estimated at \$2,000,000.

Thousands of homeless families spent the night on the beaches.

NO AGREEMENT IS REACHED BY GREEKS' JURY

Quincy, Ill., June 16.—The jury in the case of the 29 Greek laborers, charged with the murder of Sheriff Lasbrook of Schuyler county, retired at 4:30 Thursday afternoon after a trial which lasted two weeks and two days. When they informed Judge Wolfe that there was no chance of immediate agreement, he told the bailiff to put them to bed for the rest of the night, as the day had been long and sweltering one.

At 10:30 this morning, there was no indication of an agreement from the jury room.

Late Bulletins

Washington, June 16.—A compromise between Republican senators in their controversy over procedure with the soldiers' bonus bill by which it would be given senate right of way after disposal of the tariff bill was said today virtually to have been reached.

New York, June 16.—Exterminator today won the Brooklyn handicap for \$10,000 with Gray Lad second and Polly Ann, third. The time for the mile and a furlong was 1:50.

Washington, June 16.—Among the nominations by the president today was that of W. O. Potter as United States district attorney for the eastern Illinois district.

LEADERS SURE SHOPMEN WILL VOTE TO STRIKE

A. F. of L. Men Say Sentiment Is Overwhelming.

BULLETIN.

Cincinnati, June 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—B. M. Jewell, president of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, was authorized today by the chiefs of the shopcraft unions to request officers of the United Mine Workers of America for a joint conference.

Joint action between the rail men and the miners who have been on strike since April 1, will be discussed if Mr. Jewell's request is approved by the mine officials.

No date for a conference was suggested by the railmen, but it was said to hinge on the arrival here of President John L. Lewis of the miners. Mr. Lewis is expected here tomorrow from Springfield, Ill.

Chicago, June 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—On the eve of another railway war, expected to top around \$30,000,000 from the railroad annual labor bill covering 325,000 employees, gossip in rail circles centered today on the question of whether, if a strike ballots authorizes the men to stop work, a walkout will actually take place.

Reports from headquarters of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, said the tri-colored ballots of the shopmen—400,000 of them are voting on three questions on three different colored ballots—were that a 100 per cent vote was expected and that indications thus far were that the vote would be overwhelming in favor of a strike.

Complete Vote July 1.

Added to the shopmen's vote was the ballot now being cast by 500,000 maintenance of way laborers. Both votes are to be completed before July 1, when the \$110,000,000 slash for those two classes goes into effect. The shop union leaders have even urged their men to have their ballots in by June 25, so that they "may be advised" of the result before July 1.

Ware cuts for other classes of workers were regarded as certain forerunners of more strike votes.

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